

# 2024 Applicant Workshop: Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP)

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## 2024 Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP)

- ❑ NSGP is a ***competitive*** grant program intended to provide federal funding for physical security enhancements and other security-related activities to nonprofit organizations determined to be at high risk of a terrorist attack, foreign or domestic, due to its mission, ideology or beliefs.
- ❑ NSGP seeks to integrate the preparedness activities of nonprofit organizations with broader state and local preparedness efforts.
- ❑ Kentucky's period of performance for FY 2024 NSGP is 36 months.
  - Projected Period of Performance: September 1, 2024 - August 31, 2027
  - Individual grant projects awarded to nonprofits will have performance periods within this time frame ranging from 18 months to two years.

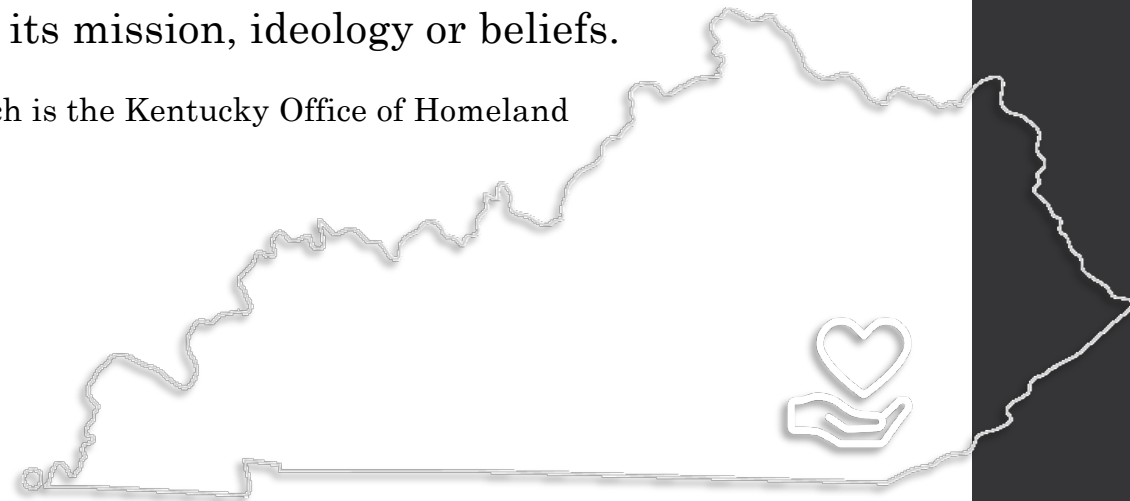


# Program Overview: Eligibility

## Eligible entities must:

1. Be nonprofit organizations as defined by Section 501(c)(3) of IRS Code of 1986, Title 26 of the U.S.C. and exempt from tax. **The IRS does not require certain organizations such as churches, mosques, and synagogues to apply for and receive recognition of exemption under 501(c)(3) of the IRS. For all other organizations, the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security requires verification of 501(c)(3) exemption.**
2. Be registered in the System for Award Management (SAM) and have Unique entity Identifier (UEI). <https://sam.gov/content/home>
3. Located within the Commonwealth of Kentucky.
4. Determined to be at high risk of a terrorist attack due to its mission, ideology or beliefs.

**NOTE:** Application is only through the State Administering Agency (SAA), which is the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security (KOHS). KOHS also administers the funding awarded to nonprofits.



# Vulnerability Assessment (VA)

- All entities applying for NSGP funds **MUST** have a written Vulnerability Assessment for the physical structure(s) it occupies not more than five years old.
- The assessment must address three principal variables - threats, vulnerabilities, and potential consequences of an attack.
- The proposed facility hardening activities/equipment applied for in the grant **MUST** directly link to security gaps identified in the Vulnerability Assessment.
- **The Vulnerability Assessment is the foundation for the grant application.**
- The Vulnerability Assessments **MUST** contain a narrative of the identified vulnerabilities. Simple Yes or No answers will not be accepted.
- Assessments should be conducted by a physical security professional, security company, law enforcement, military, etc., or you may contact **Micky Hatmaker, the DHS Infrastructure Security Specialist assigned to KY for assistance.** [Micky.Hatmaker@cisa.dhs.gov](mailto:Micky.Hatmaker@cisa.dhs.gov) . 202-573-6237.



# Grant Application or Investment Justification (IJ)

The Investment Justification (IJ) is the PDF fillable form that serves as the grant application.

Each applicant may apply for up to **\$150,000**. Applicants with multiple sites (different physical addresses) may apply for funding for up to three sites with a cap of \$150,000 per site, for a maximum of \$450,000 per applicant. If an applicant applies for projects at multiple sites, regardless of whether the projects are similar in nature, it must submit vulnerability risk assessment unique to each site. Failure to do so is cause for rejection of the application. The applicant must submit a complete IJ for each site.

The investments described in the IJ **MUST**:

- Be for the location(s) that the applicant occupies at the time of application. **Sites under construction are not eligible.**
- Address a vulnerability, that has been identified in the applicant's Vulnerability Assessment.
- Demonstrate the ability to provide enhancements consistent with the purpose of the program provided by DHS/FEMA: ***The Nonprofit Security Grant Program provides funding support for physical security enhancements and other security related activities to nonprofit organizations that are at high risk of a terrorist attack.***
- Be both feasible and effective at reducing the risks for which the project was designed.
- Be completed within the project period of performance.
- Be consistent with all applicable requirements outlined in the NOFO and the Preparedness Grants Manual.

# Allowable Costs for 2024

Allowable Costs Include, but are not limited to:

- ❑ Access Control Equipment
- ❑ Surveillance Equipment (Cameras)
- ❑ Impact Resistant Doors and Gates
- ❑ Intrusion Detection Sensors and Alarms
- ❑ Exterior Lighting
- ❑ Physical Perimeter Security (fencing, walls, jersey barriers)
- ❑ Screening and Inspection Equipment
  - ❑ Handheld Radios
  - ❑ Public Warning Systems
  - ❑ Emergency Generators
- ❑ Cyber Security: backup computer hardware, operating system, data storage, and application software
- ❑ Contracted Security
- ❑ Training and Awareness – Allowable training related cost are limited to attendance fees for training and related expenses, such as materials, supplies, and/or equipment. Overtime, backfill, and travel expenses are not allowable cost.



# Unallowable Costs for 2024

Several types of proposed projects and activity are not allowed under the grant program, to include, but not limited to the following:

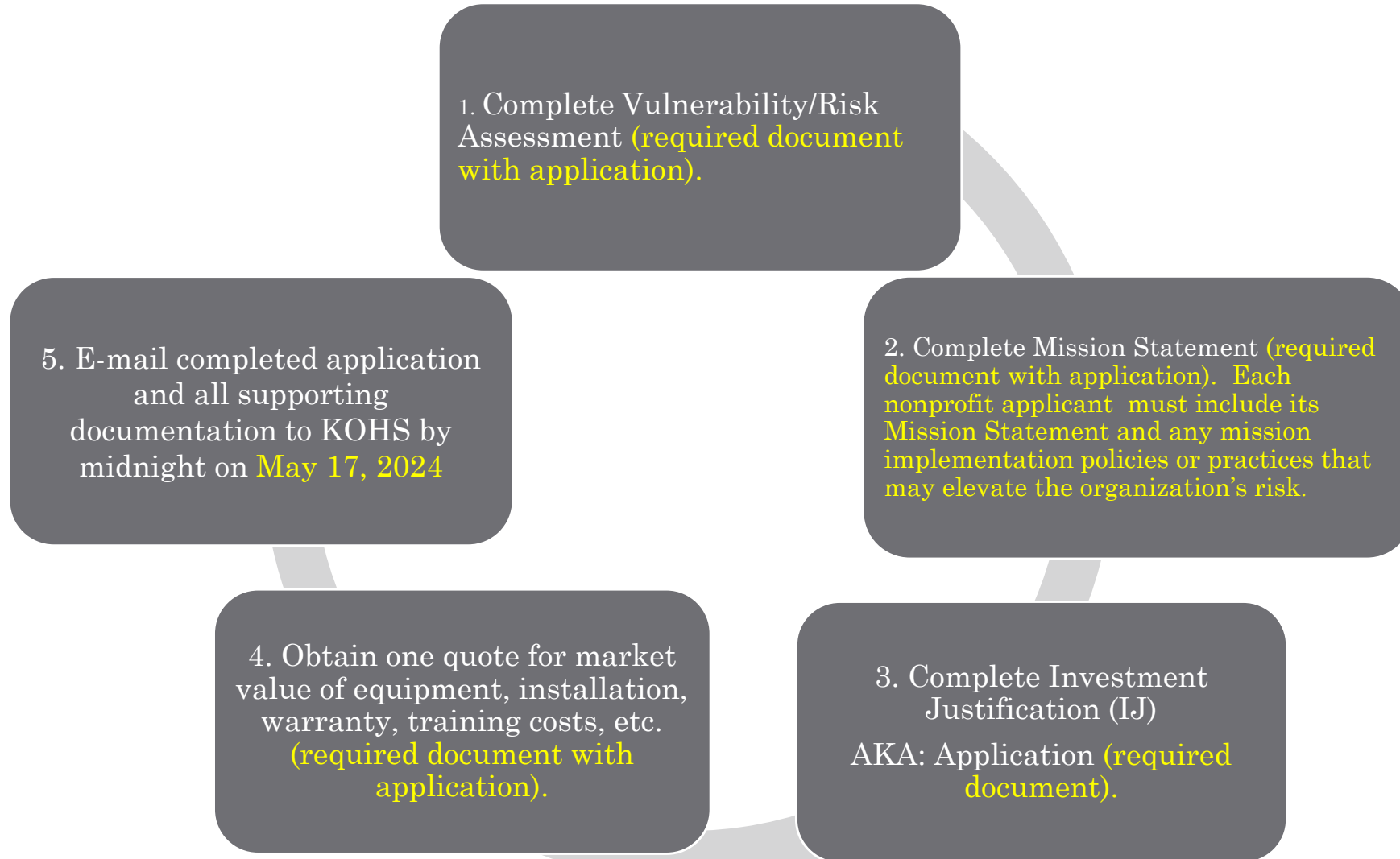
- ❑ Organizational operating costs
- ❑ Hiring of public safety personnel
- ❑ General-use expenditures
- ❑ Overtime
- ❑ Development of risk or vulnerability assessments
- ❑ License Plate Reader Systems (LPRs)
- ❑ Facial recognition software
- ❑ Knox Boxes
- ❑ Guns/Weapons
- ❑ Landscaping
- ❑ Initiatives in which federal agencies are the beneficiary or that enhance federal property
- ❑ Initiatives which study technology development'
- ❑ Proof-of-concept initiatives
- ❑ Pre-award costs generally not allowable. See 2024 NSGP Notice of Funding Opportunity.
- ❑ Sexual Predator Screening Database
- ❑ Development of the Investment Justification
- ❑ Weapons Training

# 2024 Application Timeline (Tentative Dates/Subject to Change)

2024 Dates	Activity
April 16, 2024	FEMA publishes NSGP Funding Opportunity Announcement
April 19, 2024	KOHS issues NSGP announcement to all stakeholders
April 19 – May 17	Grant application development: KOHS provides technical assistance as needed/requested
May 17, 2024	Applications and all supporting documents due to KOHS – All submissions MUST be completed and submitted electronically using Excel and Adobe files from the KOHS Website by midnight.
May 20 – 28, 2024	Subject Matter Experts review and score all applications
June 18, 2024	KOHS Deadline for application submission to FEMA
October 2024	Anticipated receipt of FEMA Award
Nov./Dec. 2024	Grant Agreement meetings to discuss Environmental Review Process (EHP)
Feb./March 2025	Issuance of 2023 Grant Contracts



# Application Process



# Environmental and Historic Preservation (EHP)

- Every awarded NSGP project, with very few exceptions, will require an Environmental and Historic Preservation (EHP) review.
- Any project that requires installation of equipment to the interior or exterior of a building will trigger an EHP Review.
- The review must be completed if your project is awarded and **BEFORE** a grant agreement is executed.
- Grant recipients are responsible for the preparation of all required EHP documents.
- KOHS staff will walk all grant recipients through the EHP process.



# Contact Information

## Grants Administration Staff

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